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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Representative Ogden Reid's Request for Congressional Investigation of Alleged Narcotics Traffic From Southeast Asia.

- 1. During the Director's briefing this morning, Representative Ogden R. Reid (D., N.Y.) contacted me in the Committee room and told me that he has written the Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee concerning the information that has been published recently concerning sources of drugs and efforts that have been taken to stay the flow. He said he is not interested in what has happened in the past but in cutting off sources of drugs in the United States. He said he does not want to see the Agency embarrassed by this flood of publicity and doesn't really know himself whether there should be hearings or not. It is his feeling there will not be any hearings "without talking to us." He closed by stating that narcotics are a big problem in his district. I did not comment on his statements but thanked him for the information.
- 2. I stopped by his office later and received a copy of the letter and covering news release. The Director and appropriate Agency offices are being furnished copies of the letter and news release.

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